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# 2006 FACT SHEET

# FERMILAB SUMMER INTERNSHIPS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR MINORITY STUDENTS

Fermilab selects approximately fifteen college students to participate in the Summer Internships in Science and Technology (SIST) program each year to help us develop a richer understanding of the fundamental properties of matter. This internship program has been developed to familiarize minority students with opportunities at the frontier of scientific research and to provide experiences that support their choice of science as a career. The students we target are U.S. citizens who are in the historically underrepresented minorities in science: Hispanic, African-American and Native American.

Candidates for the 2006 summer program should apply during the winter of 2005/06. The SIST Committee, consisting of Fermilab scientists and engineers, selects the best candidates from the pool of applicants. The intern will join a Fermilab staff member in some scientific, engineering or computer work to carry out experiments, to improve the operation of the particle accelerator or to support and develop specialized research. Interns are assigned projects appropriate to their interests and academic levels.

The twelve-week program consists of a work assignment, an academic lecture series, and a final report that the intern presents orally to the Fermilab staff and submits to the Laboratory in writing. Reports from previous years are available at our web site. There are no grades or quizzes. The SIST Committee will follow the intern's progress to help ensure his/her maximum benefit from the program. The 2006 program will run from May 22 through August 11, 2006.

For a student to be considered for this program, s/he must submit: the Intern Data Form including the essay, two or more faculty assessments, a recent academic transcript and a professional resume. The deadline for application to this year's program is February 24, 2006. Applicants will be informed of their application status by email on March 15, 2006.

More information can be found at our web site, http://sist.fnal.gov.

## **Fermilab SIST Program Details**

### STIPEND:

An intern in the SIST program receives a salary for the work done, based on a 40-hour workweek and the course hours that have completed by the summer of 2006.

Course hours completed		Implied Class	Weekly
By Semester	By Quarter	Level	Salary
10-29	15-44	Freshman	\$554
30-59	45-89	Sophomore	\$588
60-89	90-124	Junior	\$620
90+	125+	Senior	\$654

Standard US taxes will be withheld from the pay, as is customary with all Fermilab employees.

Summer interns receive no paid sick leave, no vacation, have no medical insurance and must take Memorial Day and July 4 as unpaid holidays. Any overtime or shift premium is arranged through the division where the intern is assigned. Interns will receive their first paycheck after about two weeks of work, so they must bring enough money to pay for their expenses during that period.

#### **BENEFITS**:

- Housing arranged by the Laboratory and partially subsidized by the program.
- Paid airfare and/or ground transportation to and from the Laboratory.
- Shared cars for use between local housing and the Laboratory.

#### **EXPECTATIONS:**

- To adhere to the job duties and to observe the required time and attendance standards, as defined by your supervisor.
- To attend program activities, including the final presentations.
- To attend the weekly physics and engineering lecture series.
- To prepare and present oral and written reports at the end of the session. (The reports will be published on the web and distributed to the interns' home institutions.)
- To conduct yourself in a responsible and professional manner.

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Program Dates May 22 through August 11, 2006
Travel Days May 22 and August 11, 2006
Unpaid Holidays May 29 and July 4, 2006

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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